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Case Mix Adjustment Effective January 1, 1994:

The upper payment limit for the Health Care cost center limit will be determined based on the case mix adjustment. This adjustment is explained in detail in the Case Mix Payment System section of this narrative.

REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY FEE

The real and personal property fee (property fee) was implemented, effective January 1, 1985, pursuant to Kansas Administrative Regulation 30-10-25. It was implemented as a response to the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984 regarding re-valuation of assets due to a change in ownership. The property fee satisfies this requirement in that it is the capital reimbursement portion of the Medicaid rate and does not change due solely to a change in ownership. The property fee is facility specific and is in lieu of all depreciation, mortgage interest, lease and amortization of lease expense. The actual ownership costs used to develop the property fee were from the latest cost report for each provider that the agency had processed through July, 1984.

The two components of the property fee are the property allowance and the property value factor. An explanation of each of these follows.

Property Allowance: The four line items of ownership cost (mortgage interest, depreciation, lease and amortization of lease expenses) were added together and divided by resident days to arrive at the ownership cost per diem for each provider. The 85% minimum occupancy rule was imposed on all providers who had been in operation for over 12 months. The ownership per diem cost was reduced proportionately for each provider who had total property costs in excess of the 85th percentile limit on the Property Cost Center Limit. This adjustment to the ownership per diem cost was based on the ratio of ownership costs to total property costs, multiplied by the property costs in excess of the cost center limit. The ownership per diem cost minus this adjustment (if any) resulted in the property allowance.

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Property Value Factor: The property allowances for all providers were arrayed by level of care and percentiles established. These percentiles became the basis for establishing the property value factor. The five different groupings developed from each array are as follows:

Group #	Percentile Ranking	Add-On Percent
1	-0- through 25th Percentile	45%
2	26th through 50th Percentile	15%
3	51st through 75th Percentile	7.5%
4	76th through 85th Percentile	5%.
5	86th through 100th Percentile	0%

Once the percentile groups were established, a weighted average property allowance was calculated for each group. This average property allowance was then multiplied by the add-on percentage to arrive at the property value factor for each group. This add-on percentage is inversely related to the percentile ranking. That is, the lower the percentile ranking, the higher the add-on percentage. The property value factor for each percentile group was then assigned to each provider within that group.

There are two value factor arrays. One array is the Medicare skilled nursing facilities. The other is for nursing facilities which are not certified as Medicare skilled facilities. The value factor is determined based on the classification of the nursing facility and by using the applicable array.

The applicable array applies to the certification of the facility at the time the property fee is established. The value factor does not change with a change in certification. However, if a property fee changes due to a "rebasing", then the value factor is based on the array for which the facility is certified at the time the rebasing is effective.

There are two provisions for changing the property fee. One is for a "rebasing" when capital expenditure thresholds are met (\$25,000 for homes under 51 beds and \$50,000 for homes over 50 beds). The original property allowance remains constant but the additional factor for the rebasing is added. The property fee rebasing is explained in greater detail in Exhibit A-14 (K.A.R. 30-10-25). The other provision is that an inflation factor may be applied to the property fee on an annual basis.

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INCENTIVE FACTOR

The incentive factor is a per diem add-on ranging from zero to fifty cents. It is based on the per diem cost of the Administration cost center and the Plant Operating cost center less the real and personal property taxes expense line. The per diem allowance for these two cost centers less property taxes is determined before the owner/related party/administrator/co-administrator limitation is applied.

The incentive is designed to encourage economy and efficiency in the administrative and plant operating cost areas. Property taxes were excluded since the provider has little control of the cost. There is an inverse relationship between the incentive factor and the per diem cost used to determine it. The higher the per diem cost, the lower the incentive factor.

The Schedule E is an array of the per diem costs that are used to determine the incentive factor. The schedule includes the costs from the most recent historical cost report for all active providers. No projected cost reports are included. The per diem costs are based on the 85% occupancy rule. The costs are not adjusted for inflation.

The Schedule E summarizes all expense lines form the Administration cost center and the Plant Operating cost center, less property taxes. The ownership costs are excluded from the array so that both older facilities (with relatively lower ownership costs) and newer facilities (with relatively higher ownership costs) can benefit from the incentive factor through efficient operations. The Room and Board and Health Care cost centers are excluded from the incentive factor calculation so that providers are not rewarded for cost efficient operations with regard to costs that may jeopardize the direct care of the residents.

The total per diem costs for administration and plant operating, less property taxes, are arrayed and percentiles established. These percentiles then become the basis for establishing the per diem cost ranges used to determine each providers efficiency factor, consistent with agency policy. The ranges are defined as follows:

Providers Percentile Ranking	Incentive Factor Per Diem	
-0- to 30th Percentile	\$.50	
31st to 55th Percentile	.40	
56th to 75th Percentile	.30	
76th to 100th Percentile	-0-	
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INFLATION FACTORS

Inflation will be applied to the allowable reported costs from the calendar year end cost reports for rates effective July 1st. The inflation will be based on the Data Resources, Inc. National Skilled Nursing Market Basket Index (DRI Index). The inflation will be applied from the midpoint of the cost report period to the midpoint of the payment limitation period (December 31st). This annual percentage estimate is used consistently throughout the limitation period.

The DRI Indexes listed in the latest available quarterly publication will be used to determine the inflation tables for the payment schedules processed during the payment limitation period. This will require the use of forecasted factors in the inflation table. The inflation tables will not be revised until the next payment limitation period.

For historic cost report periods ending other than the last month in a quarter, the inflation factor to be used in the calculation will be the factor for the quarter in which the cost reporting period ends. For example, a cost report period ended August 31st, will receive inflation based on the calculation using the September, third quarter, DRI Index forecast. This approach is being used instead of trying to convert a quarterly index into monthly factors.

The table "Inflation For Report Year End Prior To July 1" (Exhibit C-2, page 1) is applied in determining rates with an effective date of July 1. The table "Inflation For Report Year Ends After July 1" (Exhibit C-2, page 2) is applied in determining rates for non calendar year historic cost reports with rate effective date other than July 1.

The inflation factor is applied to all costs except the following:

- Administrator and Co-Administrator Salaries
- 2) Owner/Related Party Compensation
- 3) Interest Expense
- 4) Real and Personal Property Taxes

RATE EFFECTIVE DATE

Rate effective dates are determined in accordance with Exhibit A-7 (K.A.R. 30-10-19). The rate may be revised for an add-on reimbursement factor (i.e., rebased property fee or 24 hour nursing), desk review adjustment or field audit adjustment.

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INFLATION FOR REPORT YEAR ENDS PRIOR TO 7/1/99 EFFECTIVE 07/01/99

REPORT YEAR END (RYE)	MIDPOINT OF RYE	MIDPOINT OF RYE INDEX	MIDPOINT OF RATE PERIOD	MIDPOINT OF RATE PERIOD INDEX	HISTORICAL INFLATION FACTOR % •
12-96	06-96	1.123	12-99	1.254	11.665%
12-97	06-97	1.156	12-99	1.254	8.478%
01-98	07-97	1.168	12-99	1.254	7.363%
02-98	08-97	1.168	12-99	1.254	7.363%
03-98	09-97	1.168	12-99	1.254	7.363%
04-98	10-97	1.179	12-99	1.254	6.361%
05-98	11-97	1.179	12-99	1.254	6.361%
06-98	12-97	1.179	12-99	1.254	6.361%
07-98	01-98	1.189	12-99	1.254	5.467%
08-98	02-98	1.189	12-99	1.254	5.467%
09-98	03-98	1.189	12-99	1.254	5.467%
10-98	04-98	1.199	12-99	1.254	4.587%
11-98	05-98	1.199	12-99	1.254	4.587%
12-98	06-98	1.199	12-99	1.254	4.587%
01-99	07-98	1.209	12-99	1.254	3.722%
02-99	08-98	1.209	12-99	1.254	3.722%
03-99	09-98	1.209	12-99	1.254	3.722%
04-99	10-98	1.216	-12-99	1.254	3.125%
05-99	11-98	1.216	12-99	1.254	3.125%
06-99	12-98	1.216	12-99	1.254	3.125%

^{• = (}Midpoint of rate period index / Midpoint of rye index) -1

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INFLATION FOR REPORT YEAR ENDS AFTER 7/1/99 EFFECTIVE 07/01/99

	MIDDOINT	# OF MONTHS FROM MIDPOINT		# OF MONTHS FROM RED	MEI 47.0
RYE	MIDPOINT OF RYE	TO 07-01-00	RED	TO 07-01-00	INFLATION FACTOR
07-31-99	01-31-99	17	08-01-99	11	2.951%
08-31-99	02-28-99	16	09-01-99	10	2.822%
09-30-99	03-31-99	15	10-01-99	9	2.694%
10-31-99	04-30-99	14	11-01-99	8	2.566%
11-30-99	05-31-99	13	12-01-99	7	2.438%
12-31-99	06-30-99	12	01-01-00	6	2.309%
.01-31-00	07-31-99	11	02-01-00	5	2.181%
02-29-00	08-31-99	10	03-01-00	4	2.053%
03-31-00	09-30-99	9	04-01-00	3	1.924%
04-30-00	10-31-99	8	05-01-00	2	1.796%
05-31-00	11-30-99	7	06-01-00	1	1.668%

FORMULA = $0.2566\% \cdot [X-(Y/2)]$

ANNUAL RATE OF INFLATION = 3.079%

X = NUMBER OF MONTHS FROM MIDPOINT OF RYE TO 07/01/00

Y = NUMBER OF MONTHS FROM RED TO 07/01/00

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COST CENTER LIMITATIONS EFFECTIVE 07/01/99

COST CENTER	UPPER LIMIT
Administration	\$12.70
Property	\$11.67
Room & Board	\$21.98
Health Care	\$61.01 *

^{* =} Base limit for a facility average case mix index of 1.00

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INCENTIVE FACTORS EFFECTIVE 07/01/99

Percentile Range		Per Patient	Incentive		
Level	Low	High	Low	High	Factor
NF	-0-	30th	\$ -0-	14.56	\$.50
	31st	55th	14.57	17.45	0.40
	56th	75th	17.46	19.35	0.30
	76th	100th	19.36	above	-0-

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OWNER/RELATED PARTY SALARY LIMITATIONS ALL LEVELS OF CARE EFFECTIVE 07/01/99

	Salary	Bed Size:					···-
Job Classification	Range(**)	0-59	60-120	121+	0-99	100	Any Size
	00	20,000					
Administrator (*)	23	30,098	20 440				
	28		38,418	44.470			
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Co-Administrator (*)	19	24,773	00.704				
	22		28,704	04 505			
	24			31,595			04.505
Accountant (II)	24						31,595
Attorney (II)	31						44,470
Bookkeeper	15						20,384
Secretary (II)	15						20,384
Gen. Maint. & Repair Tech II	17						22,485
Physical Plant Supervisor I	23						30,098
(1 or 2 Facilities)							,
Physical Plant Supervisor II	25						33,197
(3 or More Facilities)			·				
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Cook	11						16,765
Food Service Supervisor II	17						22,485
Housekeeper/Laundry Worker	9						15,205
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Director of Nursing (RN III *)	25				33,197		
Director of Nursing (RN IV *)	28					38,418	
Registered Nurse (RN II *)	22						28,704
Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN *)	18	1					23,587
LPN Supervisor (*)	20			i			26,021
Health Care Assistant (Nurse Aides)	12		-				17,618
Mental Health Aide	12						17,618
Physical Therapist II (*)	27						36,566
Physical Therapist Aide	13						18,512
Occupational Therapist II (*)	26						34,861
Speech Path./Audio. I. (*)	26						34,861
Activity Therapy Tech.	14						19,406
Activity Therapist I (*)	22	1		1			28,704
Social Worker (*)	22						28,704
Medical Records Administrator	24						31,595
Medical Records Technician	19					-	24,773
Central Office (3 or More Facilities)							
Chief Executive Officer	36						56,763
Chief Operating Officer	34						51,522
All Other Chief Officers	31		{				44,470
(*) License/Registration/Certificate Reg			L				
(**) Step 5 of the salary range is used,		ents the State	Civil Service	e market rate	9.		

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OWNER/ADMINISTRATOR LIMITATION TABLE EFFECTIVE 07/01/99

Number of Beds	Total Bed Days	Maximum Owner/Admin Compensation	Limit PPD	F/Y	Amount	Cost of Living State Emp.
15	5,490	\$19,250	\$3.51	76	10,000	
16	5,856	20,195	3.45	77	10280	2.800%
. 17	6,222	21,140	3.40	78	10537	2.500%
18	6,588	22,085	3.35	79	11301	7.250%
19	6,954	23,030	3.31	80	11781	4.250%
20	7,320	23,975	3.28	81	12617	7.100%
21	7,686	24,920	3.24	82	13248	5.000%
22	8,052	25,866	3.21	83	14109	6.500%
23	8,418	26,811	3.18	84	14426	2.250%
24	8,784	27,756	3.16	85	15147	5.000%
25	9,150	28,701	3.14	86	15933	5.190%
26	9,516	29,646	3.12	87	16411	3.000%
27	9,882	30,591	3.10	88	16575	1.000%
28	10,248	31,536	3.08	89	17238	4.000%
29	10,614	32,482	3.06	90	17755	3.000%
30	10,980	33,427	3.04	91	18021	1.500%
31	11,346	34,372	3.03	92	18021	0.000%
32	11,712	35,317	3.02	93	18111	0.500%
33	12,078	36,262	3.00	94	18202	0.500%
34	12,444	37,207	2.99	95	18407	1.125%
35	12,810	38,152	2.98	96	18591	1.000%
36	13,176	39,098	2.97	97	18591	0.000%
37	13,542	40,043	2.96	98	18777	1.000%
38	13,908	40,988	2.95	99	19059	1.500%
39	14,274	41,933	2.94	00	19250	1.000%
40	14,640	42,878	2.93			
41	15,006	43,823	2.92			
42	15,372	44,768	2.91			
43	15,738	45,714	2.90			
44	16,104	46,659	2.90			
45	16,470	47,604	2.89			
46	16,836	48,549	2.88			
47	17,202	49,494	2.88			-
48	17,568	50,439	2.87			
49	17,934	51,384	2.87			
50	18,300	52,330	2.86	90th Percentile	PPD .	
	-			Administrator a	& Co-	

Administrator Salary.